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Re: Extension and Correction of Public Comment Period for the Significant Modification of the Hanford Air Operating Permit, Removal of Eleven 300 Area Facilities

Dear Mr. Klein and Mr. Fulton:

This letter transmits a copy of a Focus Sheet prepared for the public comment period associated with the referenced Hanford Air Operating Permit (AOP) [Permit 00-05-006] Significant Modification. This comment period has been extended to incorporate an eleventh facility not previously identified by the United States Department of Energy. The facility was identified in a comment received by Ecology during the second week of the public comment period.

The public comment period package includes the following:

- A copy of the Washington State Department of Ecology Focus Sheet as revised.
- A copy of *Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis #3 for the 300 Area*, DOE/RL-2005-87, Rev. 0.
- Copies of radioactive emissions licenses within the AOP affecting Buildings 318, 320, 323, 325, 326, 329, 331, 340, 3730, and MO-423 (emission units EP-318-01-S, EP-320-01-S, EP-320-2-S, EP-320-04-S, EP-323-01-S, EP-325-01-S, EP-326-01-S, EP-329-01-S, EP-331-01-V, 340-NT-EX, P-340DECON-001, P-340BBLDG-001, EP-3730-01-S, and RCF-2-EX) which will be removed from the AOP upon transition to control under *Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act* (CERCLA) documentation.
- Copies of toxic and criteria air pollutant permits for Buildings 325, 329, 331, and 340 (Orders DE 98NWP-004, NWP95-329/300A, 97NM-147, 97NM-137) which will be removed from the AOP upon transition to control under CERCLA documentation.



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According to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-401-800, the public comment period to review the documents will last at least 30 days from revision. The public comment period began August 28, 2006, and will end October 13, 2006. A public hearing is not scheduled at this time. If a public hearing is requested during the comment period, the hearing will be held at the Ecology office, 3100 Port of Benton Boulevard, Richland, after 30 days prior notice of such a hearing. Ecology distributed copies of the public comment materials for public review to the Hanford Public Information Repositories in Richland, Spokane, and Seattle, Washington, and Portland, Oregon. We also notified the public of the extension and correction through the Hanford Listserv email list.

When reviewing the AOP Significant Modification, reviewers are directed to the following pages of DOE/RL-2005-87:

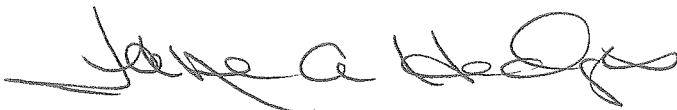
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If there are any questions, contact Doug Hendrickson at 509-372-7983.

Sincerely,



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